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NEW BANQUETING HALL AT OSBORNE—TEWFI
AND THE ENGLISH-CATHOLIC CLUB—MR.

TOOLE-OIL AS FUEL ON WARSHIPS-
TWO COLLECTIONS OF PAINTINGS.
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gallery at the farther end, which is open to the place of a large band, and an organ is throned to be placed in it. There are four entrances. The ceiling and walls of the room are long superbly decorated with Indian designs. The duo which entirely shirks the room has elaborate Sikh work on the moulding, while the cornices are in the Moris style and the numerous brackets are beautifully sculped. The hangings, furniture and all, are to be strictly oriental. The decorative work has been in progress nearly two years.

ILLNESS OF THE QUEEN OF THE BELGIANS.

The Queen of the Belgians is again indisposed. She was compelled to accept medical advice to abstain from attending the usual Epiphany ceremonial at the Convent of the Adieu de Berksheim. She is much depressed by the prevalence of influenza among the court officials, more than half of whom are now

THE DEATH OF THE KHEDEVE.

Before he left Egypt, Lord Dufferin spoke plainly to Tewfik about its political future, and since then the Khedive never deviated from the path of his duty and interest. He recommended his English newspapers read the English newspapers some hours every day, and even took to radiol, cricket and other English sports and pastimes. Let for some unaccountable reason, he would never send his sons to England, and the new Khedive, his second, and his younger brother, Prince Ali, were educated entirely in Austria. If Tewfik had died three years ago, his disappearance would have opened up an endless vista of harem intrigues. Ismail might have made a last desperate effort to recover the throne, and Nubar would doubtless have tried to realize his life-long dream of becoming sultan of Egypt, with a minor and puppet Khedive. As it is, the case is virtually a prisoner and the other is discredited.

AN EDINBURGH PARTY LEADER.

The last survivor of the leaders of the old Radical party in Edinburgh passed away in Mr. Hugh Rose, who died the other day in his eighty-sixth year. He was closely associated with the late Duncan McQueen in the formation of the Edinburgh Radical party, and took an active part against Mr. Macaulay in the

amous election of 1857. The great triumph of the
 Union in the North came in 1865, when Mr. McLaren

defeated the late Adam Black, nominee of the Whigs, and the present Lord Moncrieff, then Lord

radical candidate, the late Mr., afterward Sir William, Miller Manderston. After the Radicals had

marshed the Whigs, locally known as the Parliament House party. Mr. Rose took comparatively little interest in public affairs, but in 1886 followed his lifelong friend Bright and became a Liberal Unionist. Mr. Rose was at the head of a large mercantile firm in Edinburgh, and

for more than forty years was one of the leading commercial magnates of that city.

Among the many victims of the influenza is Mr. John Lewis Garden, who had lived in such complete

retirement of late years that he was almost forgotten
without recognition. But about twenty-five years

Jack Garden, as his friends called him, was well known both in London and Paris. He married a daughter of Prince Joachim Murat, sister of the present Duchess de Mouchy. The marriage, however, did not turn out a happy one, and for the last ten or fifteen years Jack Garden had lived almost entirely at his place in Suffolk, where he died last week.

The idea of a Catholic club, which has been mooted lately, is not a new one. The old Stafford Club was well known in its day, taking its name from the title then borne by the head of the Catholic family of Jerningham. Later it became the St. George's Club, and under that name flickered out seven years ago, after some heavy subsidist had been demanded from the members of the committee. Perhaps it is the recollection of these fates that has led the Duke of Norfolk to decline to take part, for the present, in

Mr. LEYLAND'S ART COLLECTION.

anents by Botticelli and among the moderns by Rossetti, Burne Jones and the earlier pre-Raphaelites; also by Mr. Whistler, whose famous peacock-room was painted for Mr. Leyland in his house at Prince's Gate. The story of that underlaying is part and parcel of the art history of our times, as is that of the quarrel between artist and patron, and the terrible revenge wreaked by the former thereupon. He had very fine musical taste. There is considerable speculation as to the destiny of the remarkable collection of paintings which Mr. Leyland surrounded himself. No doubt they have been dispersed since that of the

Every one will rejoice that the ever-popular Mr. Toole is on the high road to complete convalescence.

and excellent pilots. Hastings is talked of. The boat is to be conveyed direct to the railway from its freedom. The time at the seaside is to be utilized in a study of a perfectly new part. Meanwhile, the Duke and Louisa Johnstone is receiving devoted attention from his host, Mr. Edmund Hastings, at whose residence on Christmas Day. It is cheering to hear of a hearty invalid surrounded by newspapers, of a day twice a day, and of innocent merriment and games with the younger members of the household. The society forms an efficient tonic by gratifying the intense love for children which is one of Mr. Duke's many amiable characteristics.

LIQUID FUEL FOR WARSHIPS.

There is no doubt but that the use of liquid fuel

the boilers of fighting ships is to be looked upon as very near future. More especially is this likely to be applied to torpedo-boats, and it is likely that the use of the new locomotive, how many of them, have been using oil or coal indifferently, on the same grate and in the same furnace. Mr. Yarrow, perhaps the first authority on torpedoes in the world, considers that the system applied to the Great Eastern locomotives can be fitted to torpedo-boats without the slightest difficulty. It would be especially convenient and valuable for this class of vessel for obvious reasons.

It is not surprising to find that the Italians have been studying the use of the new engine, and San Martino, with the result that they have improved from nine knots to thirteen knots an hour. It is hard to believe this, but if the reported

be divided by two we still have a considerable remnant.

BARON HIRSCH BUYS A FINE MANSION.

Barth House, which has been sold by the executors of the late Henry Bimsey to Baron Hirsch, was purchased by the late owner from the fourth Lord Ash- ton. Mr. Bimsey expended an enormous sum in the proving and redecorating the house, which was the focus of comfort and luxury in its internal ar- rangements, and the entertaining rooms were magni- ficent. Barth House was the resort of the smartest and most brilliant society in London when it was the abode of the first and second Lords and Ladies Ash- ton, and it then fairly rivalled Lansdowne, Stan- ford, and Holderness (now Londonderry) houses.

THE DUDLEY HOUSE ART GALLERY.

We hear that the Dudley House collection of pictures will be sold in a few months at Christie's. The gallery, which is one of the finest in the world, was pre-